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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Greetings:

The following is filed in timely response to the final Office Action mailed on November 1, 2005, wherein the Examiner:

1. Rejected Claims 1-3 and 6 under Section 103(a), as unpatentable over Akizawa, U.S. Patent No. 5,009,355, in view of Scheuten, U.S. Patent No. 5,385,287.

3. Found Claims 4-5 and 7-12 allowable if rewritten to include all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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